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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 16, line 21, after "invention." insert -- For example, sensors 99 (FIG. 3) may be utilized

to detect the paintballs. These sensors may be infrared or optical sensors. --

Page 18, line 3, after "display" insert --101 (FIG. 3)--.

Page 18, line 13 delete "(not shown)" and substitute --101--.

Page 18, line 16 delete "(not shown)" and substitute --111--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

~~12~~¹³ (Amended) The rapid feed paintball loader of claim [13] ~~22~~¹¹ wherein said timer emits an audio warning after a preselected time has elapsed.

~~13~~¹⁴ (Amended) The rapid feed paintball loader of claim [13] ~~22~~¹¹ wherein said timer displays a visual warning after a preselected time has elapsed.

~~2~~^{11/30/00} ~~14~~¹⁵ (Amended) The rapid feed paintball loader of claim [13] ~~22~~¹¹ wherein said ~~time~~^{timer} provides a vibratory alert after a preselected time has elapsed.

~~21~~²⁰ (Amended) A rapid feed paintball loader for use on a paintball gun, the paintball loader comprising:

a container for holding a plurality of paintballs;

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an exit tube exiting from a bottom portion of the container and leading to an inlet tube of the paintball gun;

a plurality of fins affixed to the top surface of the drive cone, said plurality of fins spiraling outwardly from the center axis of the drive cone, each fin having a top surface and forming a gap with an adjacent fin large enough to accommodate a paintball;

a catch arm mounted on an interior surface of the container adjacent to the exit tube, said catch arm being mounted at a height which is above the top surface of the fins and which is approximately equal to the radius of a paintball;

a motor that rotates the drive cone; and

means for actuating the motor upon demand.

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21. (Amended) A rapid feed paintball loader for use on a paintball gun, the paintball loader comprising:

a container for holding a plurality of paintballs;

a plurality of fins located at a bottom portion of the container, each fin having a top surface and forming a gap with an adjacent fin large enough to accommodate a paintball;

means for rotating the plurality of fins about an axis running perpendicularly through the bottom portion of the container;